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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM: John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration

Stan:

1. This information supersedes that furnished you on 6 September concerning Ambassador Owen's desire to have an Agency secretary detailed to him.

2. After I had had my discussion with Ambassador Owen, Christine Dodson, the Staff Secretary of the National Security Council, contacted me. She was not convinced that Ambassador Owen understood that which I explained to him and Mrs. Dodson's position was, in fact, correct. She stated that the size of the National Security Council is limited to 100 people. Therefore, she could not accept a detail from CIA and reimburse for that person because she was filled to capacity. She went on to say that what Ambassador Owen really wanted was a free-bee, i.e., the Agency to loan to him in the White House work a secretary. I told Mrs. Dodson that I had explained to Ambassador Owen that we could not do that but would be willing to assign another individual to the NSC on a reimbursable basis. She said that she felt sure that that would be our position, that she had no difficulty with it, and that she would take care of the matter with Ambassador Owen.

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John F. Blake

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6 September 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration

Stan:

1. You made me aware of your conversation with Ambassador Owen and the possibility of detailing a clerk/typist to the White House.

2. I spoke with Ambassador Owen and informed him as follows. We have a practice of detailing individuals, upon request, to the National Security Council and we receive reimbursement for the salaries of such employees. I further stated I would rather adhere to that procedure than entertain a direct detail to the White House. Any arrangements he might choose to make to have the party made available to him after we detail to the NSC is up to him and the appropriate officer of the NSC. He thanked me for the information and said he would pursue the matter. I informed him of the normal liaison contacts to be used should he decide to go the route I suggested.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration  
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with Henry Owen,  
1 September 1978

Ambassador Henry Owen of the White House Staff phoned and wants to know what he has to do to get a secretary seconded from CIA to his office. I told him you would phone him on Tuesday. I made absolutely no commitment that we would or could do this; in fact, I'm inclined to wonder how we could afford to send secretaries out like this. I'm disinclined to have the White House Staff unofficially augmented, but you know what the basic policies have been in the past. Please make the decision.

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